



Outside the Box CIO seeks new Trustees

We are a registered charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) based in Halifax. We are seeking new trustees to join our growing charity.



About Us

We develop participatory and wellbeing activities with, by and for people in Calderdale. We use creativity to enhance wellbeing. Our main project at present is Orange Box Choir, but we have potential to grow and develop new activities.

Our charity officially registered in January 2022, and in 2023 were winners of Best New Charity at the Calderdale Community Spirit Awards. We recently received a two-year grant from the National Lottery Community Fund, giving us financial stability until April 2026.



Orange Box Choir

Our inclusive community choir offers singing for wellbeing, and provides a platform for young people and young adults to have fun, make friends and share their voices.

Sessions are delivered by three experienced freelance staff and supported by a small team of volunteers.

The choir is fully funded so it can be free at the point of access. We welcome young people aged 13+ and many participants are care-experienced, have a learning disability, are autistic, and experience mental health challenges. We also welcome and celebrate young people who are LGBTQ+ and are proud supporters of Calderdale Pride.

Interested in being a Trustee?

Outside The Box are looking for people who are passionate about enabling young people and young adults of diverse abilities and needs to access creativity, have fun and live their best lives.

This is a voluntary role, and reasonable out of pocket expenses are reimbursed.

Some Trustee roles may be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

The Trustees aim to meet four times per year. We meet online, in-person (in Halifax) or hybrid. We celebrate our achievements with an Annual General Meeting each March, to which all our participants and family members are invited.

We seek new Trustees whose skills and experience will complement the current team, providing strong and clear leadership, helping us to progress further towards becoming a more diverse and inclusive organisation.

Here are some of the qualities/experience we seek:

- Understanding governance and legal responsibility
- Keeping policies and procedures up to date and in line with wider good practice
- Project Management
- Working with young people and young adults, particularly those with additional needs
- Fundraising, particularly grant funding
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Writing reports
- Managing/supporting a small freelance staff team
- Volunteer management
- Good administration and organisational skills
- Minuting meetings
- Managing finances and budgets
- Managing risk
- Safeguarding

If you feel you can bring one or more of the above we would love to hear from you, and we welcome applications from all communities. We encourage people with lived experience of additional needs to apply.

If you would like more information about Outside the Box CIO:

Visit our website: [Outside The Box CIO](#)

Read our annual reports: [OUTSIDE THE BOX CIO - 1197431](#)

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